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SUBJ: ME IN SECURITY COUNCIL

1. JUST PRIOR TO AFTERNOON SC SESSION AUG 14, TEKOA
CALLED ON SCALI AND REQUESTED BRIEFING ON STATE OF PLAY.
HE EXPRESSED SHOCK ON BEING INFORMED THAT US AND LEBANON
NEAR AGREEMENT ON RES LANGUAGE INCLUDING CONDEMNATION OF
GOI. HE ARGUED AT LENGTH AGAINST US ACCEPTANCE OF DRAFT,
ON LINES REPORTED SCALI-ATHERTON TELECON.

2. WHILE WE MET WITH TEKOA, GHORRA WAS MEETING WITH
NON-ALIGNED AND ARABS. GHORRA REQUESTED OPPORTUNITY MEET
WITH SCALI IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SC SESSION IN COMPANY
OF ODERO-JOWI (KENYA) WHO HAD BEEN NOMINATED TO SPEAK FOR
NON-ALIGNED.

3. AT OUTSET MEETING, WHICH LASTED TWO HOURS, ODERO-JOWI
PRESENTED NON-ALIGNED REDRAFT (TEXT SEPTTEL). ODERO-JOWI
STAUNCHLY DEFENDED EACH NON-ALIGNED CHANGE. HE STATED THAT
NON-ALIGNED FELT SC RES SHOULD NOT BE A MATTER OF PLEASING ONE
OR MORE PERMANENT MEMBERS BUT THAT VIEWS OF OTHER MEMBERS
OF SC ALSO NEEDED TO BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.

4. WE RESPONDED PATIENTLY TO ODERO-JOWI'S ARGUMENTS ON BEHALF
OF THE CHANGES ON THEIR MERITS. WE ALSO URGED THAT NON-
ALIGNED BEAR IN MIND THAT BY PUTTING IN UNACCEPTABLE PROVISIONS
SUCH AS PARA SIX, UNBALANCED AND VETOABLE PROVISIONS SUCH
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AS PARAS THREE AND FIVE, AND NEEDLESS EFFORTS TO OVER-

EMPHASIZE THE OBVIOUS SUCH AS ADDITION WORD "FIRMLY" IN
PARA ONE, NON-ALIGNED WERE NOT ACCOMPLISHING ANY POSITIVE
RESULTS. SCALI CLOSED MEETING BY EMPHASIZING TO ODERO-
JOWI THAT THEY WERE NOT PUTTING US ON A PAINFUL HOOK
BUT RATHER LETTING ISRAEL OFF THE HOOK AND DOING A PROFOUND
DISSERVICE TO ALL CONCERNED INCLUDING IN PARTICULAR LEBANON.

5. ALTHOUGH MAHMASSANI (LEBANON) TELLS US HE BELIEVES
NON-ALIGNED BLUFFING AND WILL BACK DOWN, WE INCLINED
BELIEVE EGO OF NON-ALIGNED REPS ON COUNCIL NOW UNHELPEFULLY
ENGAGED AND UNLESS ODERO-JOWI GETS SOME CONCESSION WHICH
HE CAN THEN SHOW TO RADICAL NON-ALIGNED AS HIS PERSONAL
ACHIEVEMENT, WE UNLIKELY MOVE THEM FROM POSITION CONTAINED
IN ABOVE PROPOSALS.

6. WE ARE STAYING IN TOUCH WITH KEY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL
AND WILL DO WHAT WE CAN TO INFLUENCE SITUATION FAVORABLY.
OUR HOPE OF GETTING BACK TO AND FIRING UP OUR QUASI-
AGREEMENT WITH LEBANESE DEPENDS ON GHORRA' SCOURAGE, IN
FACE TREMENDOUS PRESSURE, FROM EGYPT AND IRAQ WHO APPEAR
TO HAVE GRABBED BALL FROM GHORRA AND WHO NOW RELYING ON
KENYAN AS POINT MAN.
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